

## Fieldwork I (A003314)

**Course size** *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

**Credits 6.0**

**Study time 180 h**

**Course offerings in academic year 2026-2027**

A (semester 2)

Dutch

Gent

**Lecturers in academic year 2026-2027**

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LW02

staff member

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lecturer-in-charge

**Offered in the following programmes in 2026-2027**

[Bachelor of Arts in Archaeology](#)

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**offering**

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[Preparatory Course Master of Arts in Archaeology](#)

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**Teaching languages**

Dutch

**Keywords**

Work placement, fieldwork

**Position of the course**

This advanced course is part of the package 'Practica'; the main aim is to confront the student with the practices of archaeology, more specifically with fieldwork.

**Contents**

The students will have to search for one or more on-going professional excavation (or survey) projects (preferably in Belgium). After approval by staff members they are expected to participate in the fieldwork (actual excavation, determination of archaeological features, registration, drawing etc.). Minimum 15 days.

**Initial competences**

- To have successfully completed the course package Methodology or to have acquired the necessary skills by other means.

**Final competences**

- 1 To participate actively during an excavation.
- 2 To have insight into the chronology of fieldwork (preliminary research, actual excavation).
- 3 To have knowledge of the principles of field work.
- 4 To be able to apply the basic registration methods in the field.
- 5 To be able to produce a critical and thorough fieldwork report.

**Conditions for credit contract**

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

**Conditions for exam contract**

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

**Teaching methods**

**Extra information on the teaching methods**

Fieldwork and a written report

This course unit assumes responsible use of generative artificial intelligence (GAI).

Unpublished data, including course material, should never be entered into GAI tools

The applicable guidelines from Academic Skills are respected throughout the

course.

**Study material**

None

**References****Course content-related study coaching**

The fieldwork coördinator will provide guidance to the students before, during and after fieldwork.

**Assessment moments**

continuous assessment

**Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period****Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period****Examination methods in case of permanent assessment**

Assignment

**Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment**

examination during the second examination period is possible

**Extra information on the examination methods**

Fieldwork (50%, based on the evaluation form filled out by the fieldwork supervisor) and written report (50%)

**Calculation of the examination mark**

Non-periodical: continuous assessment (100%) 50% fieldwork and 50% written report

Following the correct procedure and handing in the needed documents on time is an essential part of the evaluation as well.

It is essential to pass both parts of the evaluation to be able to pass this course as a whole.

**Facilities for Working Students**

- Presence in the lessons or at the place of work is compulsory
- No possibility to take the exam at another time
- Possibility of feedback after appointment